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Straw Hats

there's every style of straw hat known to the maker. Some are absolutely new in shape this season. Destined, however, to become very popular.

Others are variations of the well known and well liked shapes.

\$5.00 will buy a hat with a big name but our \$1.00, \$1.50 & \$2.50 **STRAW HATS** are all hat. Name is free.

We also have them from 25 cents to \$3.00 each.

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Now is the time to get your **HOT WEATHER** dress goods, millinery, clothing, shoes, etc. We have them in all styles, quality and prices, and guarantee the best goods for the money. You will find our goods and prices right.

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La Villa Grocery,
FREEMAN & MORTON, - - - Proprietors.

—Carries a Complete Line of—

Staple and Fancy Groceries,

Hay, Grain and other Feed Stuffs. Stove Wood in large quantities. Orders delivered promptly anywhere in Punta Gorda.

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FRESH AND RELIABLE STOCK OF
STAPLE AND FANCY GROCERIES.

At the Lowest Living Prices.

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Work Set Up in Any Part of the State

HIGH GRADE IRON FENCING A SPECIALTY.

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Agent for No. 1 Cypress Tanks with patent lugs, put up by D. A. Holcomb of this city. Call and get my prices and patronize home industry.

To the People of Punta Gorda and Vicinity

I beg to announce that I am adding to my stock of **First Class Groceries, Fruits and Confectioneries** a big line of **CROCKERY, GLASSWARE AND TINWARE.**

and will continue to put in new lines of goods of different kinds as may be required until my stock is second to none in town.

I respectfully invite you to call and inspect my stock and prices, assuring you of

SATISFACTION IN BOTH PRICE AND QUALITY OF GOODS.

Very truly yours,
THOS. O'R. JAMESON,
Welch Block. Punta Gorda

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Do you know what **HEALTH INSURANCE** is? It may be worth \$5 per week to you call at this agency and be informed.

LOCAL BREVITIES.

PERSONAL POINTERS FITZLY PRINTED.

Various Items Garnered From This and Other Fields—What Our People Are Doing.

Col. Pepper will occupy the Presbyterian pulpit Sunday morning.

The Southernland stock of groceries was moved last week to Wauchula.

Capt. K. B. Harvey paid Tampa a business visit last week.

Dr. Latham went to Fernandina Wednesday night; will return Sunday.

Miss Kate Morgan visited her sister at Nocatee yesterday, and went thence on a short trip to Jacksonville.

Money to loan. K. B. Harvey, agent. 14-1f

Carl Fries has gone to Lakeland to spend a few weeks with his aunt, Mrs. B. F. Hines.

Misses Maggie and Willye Stetson left yesterday to spend the summer with kindred and friends in Georgia.

There are daily symptoms of the approach of the rainy season, but very little rain has as yet fallen.

County commissioner Williams, who is a candidate for re-election, was a welcome visitor to this office yesterday.

At Matlachet, Monday morning, Capt. S. J. Chadwick and Clay Chadwick caught three tarpon weighing about 65 pounds each.

Mr. Jno. H. Farrington has the lumber on hand to extend the verandah of his dwelling around the west side fronting the bay.

The official call of the county committee for a primary July 15th was received too late for this issue, but will appear next week.

Mr. Jno. H. Farrington went to Key West on business last week and returned this week. He went via Tampa.

Eugene, the 14-year old son of Willoughby Whidden of Nocatee, was thrown from a horse Monday and one of his legs was broken.

Pineapples are a cent higher,—8c. a pound, just double the price of two months ago. But it is an instance of high prices in which Punta Gorda may justly rejoice.

A very interesting and valuable article on the subject of drinking water, prepared by Dr. Best, will appear in these columns next week.

Round trip excursions to the romantic Myakka, daily 7 a. m., launch "Lorraine," in parties of six or more, 50c. each; Charlotte Harbor 25c.—161f

The Presbyterian ladies are arranging to have a lawn festival on the grounds of Hotel Punta Gorda either next week or the week after.

Rev. T. J. Purdue returned this week from Michigan and will hold services in the Episcopal church at 11 a. m. Sunday.

J. B. Cox's store was supplied Monday with watermelons of his own raising and they sold "like hot cakes" at 25c. each.

Mr. Henry L. Hollingsworth, candidate for tax collector, was here yesterday interviewing the voters and incidentally favored this office with a pleasant call.

Miss Florence Purdue, having finished her studies in the parochial school at Orlando, came home this week and is now with her parents at the Episcopal rectory.

FOR SALE.—Choice potato vines now ready for early planting.—J. H. Hill. a-d

Some one has suggested that the town council hesitate to bore that artesian for fear it won't flow. Why, they can stick a hand-pump in it and make it flow. That would be a sight better than no water at all.

Kissimmee Gazette: Car No. 4, U. S. Fish Commission, in charge of Mr. Chas. W. Burnham, was sidetracked here Thursday morning and 600,000 shad turned loose in the limpid waters of Lake Tohopekaliga.

Dr. Dudley S. Reynolds, president of the Tarpon Club of Louisville, Ky., arrived Sunday for the purpose of looking after the launching of the house boat "City of Louisville" which has just been built here for the use of the club.

The United States quarantine cutter "W. D. Bratton," with State Health Officer Dr. J. Y. Porter aboard, arrived here from Tampa Monday and left the same day for Punta Gorda, Key West and Miami. Dr. Porter is on a tour of sanitary inspection of the Gulf and Atlantic ports of Florida.

The first ripe watermelon of the season was brought in last Friday by that popular and enterprising confectioner, Mr. J. B. Cox, who grew it on his place in the eastern part of town. He has a considerable patch and will doubtless be supplying the local market by the time this is read.

GREATLY ALARMED

By a Persistent Cough, but Permanently Cured by Chamberlain's Cough Remedy.

Mr. H. P. Burbage, a student at law in Greenville, S. C., had been troubled for four or five years with a continuous cough which he says, "greatly alarmed me, causing me to fear that I was in the first stage of consumption." Mr. Burbage, having seen Chamberlain's Cough Remedy advertised, concluded to try it. Now read what he says of it: "I soon felt a remarkable change and after using two bottles of the 25 cent size, was permanently cured." Sold by All Druggists.

Bring your orders for job prints to this office.

Everybody was made happy by a refreshing shower of rain Tuesday afternoon. It was greatly needed.

That courteous and progressive dry goods merchant, J. R. Elliott, has put a handsome new awning in front of his store on Marian avenue.

Capt. Hall and family and Mr. and Mrs. Crouch returned Saturday from a delightful cruise in the "Ethel G" to Marco and other points below.

Mr. W. G. Welles, the big sawmill man of Nocatee and Torrey, was mingling with his Punta Gorda friends Monday.

Gen. Gilchrist came back Sunday from Miami, Tallahassee and the rest of the world. He may be in Tampa or Crewsville to-day.

Mr. Wm. Bodford and family returned Monday from a month's outing on Petruca Island and are now living upstairs over Mrs. Gregory's store.

Geo. T. Brown & Co.'s sharpie "H. W. Taylor" brought in 4,000 pounds of pompano Saturday night and their sharpie "Wallace" brought in 5,000 pounds more on Monday afternoon. The demand for these fine fish continues unabated.

FOR SALE: Cleaned Bigger Weed Seed: State quantity wanted. Write for prices to Jno. A. Germond, Edgar Putnam Co. Fla. 17-6f

Miss Edith Stetson gave her music class a very enjoyable reception last Saturday afternoon. There were games, music, bathing in the bay and refreshments consisting of cake, ice cream and lemonade. The pupils enjoyed the occasion immensely.

F. G. Arnold, Arcadia's wide-awake photographer, will be here soon. Save all your work for him, and also save money for yourselves.

The excursion Sunday to Boca Grande on the steamer Plant was quite a success. A large number of people went and all declared that they had had a delightful time. The receipts were entirely satisfactory to Commodore Booth.

The Punta Gorda Livery Stables, E. A. Seward, manager, is a new enterprise recently established which solicits a share of the public patronage. Good horses and buggies and fair treatment. 171f.

When you wake up with a bad taste in your mouth, go at once to any drug store and get a free sample of Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets. One or two doses will make you well. They also cure biliousness, sick headache and constipation. p m

Joe Lewis, the darkey who was sent to the penitentiary a few months ago for uttering a forged check for \$25.00, came back here a few days ago, having been granted a pardon May 1st. There appears to be a "nigger in the woodpile" somewhere in this matter, for people are asking, why was this darkey pardoned? Surely not that he may have a chance to vote the Democratic ticket.

Get a free sample of Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets at any drug store. They are easier to take and more pleasant in effect than pills. Then their use is not followed by constipation as is often the case with pills. Regular size, 25c. per box. p m

Mrs. Webb and her little granddaughter, Lucile, and Mrs. Wells, who have a cozy winter home on Sullivan street, left Wednesday evening for their summer home in Hawesville, Ky. They have many friends here who will greatly miss them, but nevertheless wish them a pleasant journey and a happy return here next fall. They are very pleasant Christian ladies whose presence amongst us is sincerely appreciated.

"A man living on a farm near here came in a short time ago completely doubled up with rheumatism. I handed him a bottle of Chamberlain's Pain Balm and told him to use it freely and if not satisfied after using it he need not pay a cent for it," says C. P. Rayder, of Potters Mills, N. Y. "A few days later he walked into the store as straight as a string and handed me a dollar saying, 'give me another bottle of Chamberlain's Pain Balm. I want it in the house all the time, for it cured me.'" For sale by all druggists. p m

Messrs. Robt. P. Brown, vice-president, and J. M. Cameron, consulting engineer, of the Consolidated Ice, Refrigerating and Fish Co., accompanied by Mr. J. S. DeHart, chief engineer of the Isbell-Porter-Co., Newark, N. J., arrived from Philadelphia Saturday morning and spent that day, Monday and Tuesday inspecting the immense construction work being done upon the former company's property. Mr. Brown left Monday night and was followed by the other two gentlemen on Tuesday evening. All three were pleased with the progress and character of the work. Something like a detailed report of it may appear in these columns next week.

CANDIDATES' ANNOUNCEMENTS.

FOR STATE'S ATTORNEY.
I hereby announce myself as a candidate for State's Attorney of the Sixth Judicial Circuit, subject to the action of the democratic voters at the coming primary.
H. S. PHILLIPS.

I will be a candidate at the coming democratic primary, seeking the nomination to the office of State's Attorney for the Sixth Judicial Circuit. I ask each and every elector at said primary to give me his vote and support.
SOLON B. TURMAN,
Of the Tampa Bar.

FOR TAX COLLECTOR.
In response to the earnest solicitations of many friends and fellow-citizens, I take this opportunity to announce myself a candidate for the office of tax collector of DeSoto county, subject to the Democratic primary to be held on July 15th, 1902. I earnestly solicit the cordial support of my fellow citizens and promise, if elected, to perform the duties of the office faithfully and honestly.
Very Respectfully,
HENRY L. HOLLINGSWORTH

I hereby announce myself as a candidate for the office of Tax Collector of DeSoto County, Fla., subject to the wishes of the Democratic voters of said County.
Respectfully,
F. MARVIN DURRANCE.

FOR THE LEGISLATURE
I announce myself a candidate for the Legislature. Conditions do not warrant a division of the county. If elected I will oppose such a measure.
ALBERT W. GILCHRIST.

FOR COUNTY TREASURER.
We are authorized to announce Finis E. Parker as a candidate for re-election to the office of County Treasurer, subject to the action of the Democratic voters in the coming primary.

FOR COUNTY COMMISSIONER.
I hereby announce myself a candidate for county commissioner of district No. 4, subject to the action of the voters in the democratic primary to be held on July 15th. If nominated and elected I shall favor a reduction of at least eight mills of the special road tax and shall also advocate such other economic measures so that the total taxes for the coming fiscal year, from July 1st, 1902, to June 30th, 1903 shall not exceed 18 mills, thus making a reduction of 10 mills on the dollar.
Respectfully,
D. S. Williams.

TEACHERS' EXAMINATION.
Notice is hereby given that the regular semi-annual examination of Teachers will be held in the school building in Arcadia, beginning at 8 o'clock, a. m., on Tuesday, the third day of June, A. D. 1902. Applicants will please come provided with pens, ink and legal cap paper.
M. F. GIDDENS,
Secretary of Board.
18-2f Supt. of Pub. Inst.

LARGEST ON THE GULF.

THE FISHING BUSINESS OF PUNTA GORDA.

Punta Gorda is a small town, but it is a place of big things. It has the biggest cattle dock in Florida, the biggest fisheries in the United States south of the Columbia river and the Potomac; the biggest ice factory in the South under construction, and citizens with hearts, if not purses as big as Andy Carnegie's and George Peabody's.

As to the fishing business, figures from the books of the four wholesale firms here show that, for the nine months ending this week, the total amount of fish of all kinds shipped was 6,827,018 pounds, aggregating 284½ car loads. Of these, there were about 200 solid cars shipped in bulk, and the remaining 84½ went in barrels.

In the conduct of this business, fully 1,000 tons of ice amounting to two million pounds were used.

Besides the men on the dock who are engaged in packing the fish on the cars, about three hundred are employed in handling the nets and running the boats.

Preparations now being made by the wholesalers look to a large increase in the business next season, which will open Aug. 15th.

SWIFT'S TIN SHOP TO RE-OPEN.
Mr. Magnus Swift has perfected arrangements to re-open next Monday his late father's tin shop and galvanize iron works. He has secured the services of a skillful and experienced tinner and all-around workman and can promise satisfaction to all who favor him with their patronage.

In almost every neighborhood someone has died from an attack of cholera or cholera morbus, often before medicine could be procured or a physician summoned. A reliable remedy for these diseases should be kept at hand. The risk is too great for anyone to take. Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy has undoubtedly saved the lives of more people and relieved more pain and suffering than any other medicine in use. It can always be depended upon. For sale by all druggists. p-m

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OUR NEW SPRING STOCK

of Latest Styles in

Millinery,
Trimmed Hats,
and Sailors of all Kinds.
Dress Goods,
Trimmings,
Men and Boys' Clothing,
Hats and Shoes.

Is now in and ready for public inspection. We invite everyone to call and examine our goods and get our prices. No trouble to show goods.

J. R. ELLIOTT.

BE CAREFUL WHAT YOU EAT!

—Good Health Demands—

Wholesome Food,

SUCH AS YOU CAN ALWAYS FIND AT THE

P. G. M. AND S. S. CO.

(Punta Gorda Market and Ship Supply Co.)

Everything in the Grocery line, including Fresh Meats, of all kinds, Fruits, Vegetables, Eggs, and Chickens. Rock bottom prices throughout. **Prompt Free Delivery.**

Seward's.

Whole wheat and Graham flour at SEWARD'S. Before painting or re-painting your house get Seward's prices on paints, oils and Atlantic lead. New stock of ready mixed paints received this week.

Seward's hardware department may not be the most complete in the United States, but when it comes to prices, he'll startle creation. Ship chandlery, building material, tools, implements, etc., at honest prices.

Seward will positively save you 25 to 50 per cent on footwear. This is what scores of new customers tell us, and they speak the truth. Honest goods at live and let live prices is our motto. A new stock of good, durable shoes just opened.

Go to Seward's for fresh, first-class groceries at the lowest possible prices.

Remember, that R. K. Seward is agent for both Mapes's and Wilson & Loomis's fertilizers—best manufactured.

Seward's gents' furnishing department is recognized by all thinking people as a money-saving annex. Here you get regular 50-cent articles for a quarter.

Seward will supply you with anything from a needle to a brick house, at the lowest prices. Remember this.

Seward's.

Everybody is

Interested

In getting the BEST goods at the LOWEST prices. That is what we are doing—getting the best of everything at lowest cost and giving

Our Customers the Benefit

of the LOW PRICES we get ourselves. Accordingly when in need of Dry Goods, and Groceries, Shoes, Hats, Gents' Furnishings, or anything else in the nature of FAMILY, FARM or BOAT SUPPLIES, you will find it to your interest to call on

E. WOTITZKY,
Punta Gorda, Florida.

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For 20 Years Has Led All Worm Remedies.

SOLD BY ALL DRUGGISTS.

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